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THE CHILEAN GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN INFORMED

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OF THE EXISTENCE OF A TERRORIST PLAN
OF THE MOVEMENT OF THE REVOLUTIONARY LEFT (MIR) AND U.P.
EXTREMIST GROUPS TO KIDNAP A HIGH-LEVEL FUNCTIONARY OF THE U.S.

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EMBASSY AND A DIPLOMAT FROM THE CUBAN EMBASSY IN SANTIAGO. THE OBJECTIVE OF THIS TERRORIST PLAN, IN WHICH SOCIALIST PARTY (PS) POLITICAL COMMISSION MEMBER ROLANDO CALDERON IS ACTIVELY INVOLVED, IS TO PREVENT A POSSIBLE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND THE CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC PARTY (PDC) TO RESOLVE THE CURRENT POLITICAL CRISIS IN CHILE. THE EXTREMISTS HOPE TO BE ABLE TO BLAME THE ABDUCTIONS ON PATRIA Y LIBERTAD (P&L, EXTREME RIGHT-WING, MILITANTLY ANTI-GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION) AND, FOR THIS REASON, HAVE INCLUDED THE ABDUCTION OF A CUBAN OFFICIAL IN THE PLAN.

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2. THE MIR CONSIDERS IT INEVITABLE THAT AN AGREEMENT AMONG THE GOVERNMENT, THE PDC AND THE ARMED FORCES WILL BE REACHED TO REDUCE TENSIONS IN THE COUNTRY. ALSO, WITH THESE FORCES AND CONGRESS, THE EXECUTIVE WILL THEN BE ABLE TO CARRY OUT AN AUSTERITY ECONOMIC PLAN TO RESOLVE THE PROBLEM OF INFLATION AND TO PUT THE NATION'S ECONOMY IN ORDER. THIS, ACCORDING TO THE MIR, WOULD ENTAIL THE PROMULGATION OF THE THREE AREAS CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM LAW.

COMMENT: WHILE NOT SO STATED, THE ABOVE SCENARIO WOULD ALSO ENTAIL THE RETURN OF THE INDUSTRIES AND FACTORIES SEIZED BY

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PRO-GOVERNMENT YORKERS FOLLOWING THE ABORTIVE UPRISING BY AN ARMY UNIT ON 29 JUNE, A DEVELOPMENT TO WHICH THE MIR AND OTHER LEFTIST EXTREMISTS WOULD BE VERY OPPOSED.)

3. [REDACTED] COMMENTED THAT GENERAL CARLOS PRATS, ARMY COMMANDER IN CHIEF, OBTAINED THE INFORMATION ON THE MIR PLANS FROM [REDACTED], WHERE IT IS BELIEVED THE PLANS WERE FORMULATED. PRATS IN TURN PASSED THE INFORMATION TO PRESIDENT SALVADOR ALLENDE. FOR HIS PART THE PRESIDENT SCHEDULED A MEETING WITH THE MINISTERS OF INTERIOR AND FOREIGN RELATIONS FOR THE AFTERNOON OF 18 JULY TO DISCUSS:

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[REDACTED] INFORMATION AND TO CONSIDER WHETHER TO CONVOKE A MEETING ON THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL IN ORDER TO DECIDE WHAT ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN OF THAT INFORMATION [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] THE PRESIDENT IS VERY CONCERNED OVER THE MATTER. IN ADDITION, ALLENDE IS NOT OVERLY CONFIDENT THAT [REDACTED] REPORT IS ACCURATE, HE CONSIDERS IT POSSIBLE THAT THE ARMY HAS INVENTED THIS ALLEGED PLOT IN ORDER TO JUSTIFY THE NEED TO TAKE STRONG MEASURES TO RESOLVE THE CURRENT ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL PROBLEMS IN THE COUNTRY OR, POSSIBLY, TO USE THIS THREAT TO JUSTIFY SOME MOVE AGAINST HIS GOVERNMENT.

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4.  THE MIR MUST
BE AWARE THAT ITS PLANS HAVE BEEN DETECTED, SINCE THAT ORGANIZA-
TION IS NOW IN A STATE OF ALERT. HE ADDED THAT THE CURRENT
ATMOSPHERE AROUND ALLENDE AND THE ARMY IS VERY TENSE, AND IT IS
POSSIBLE THAT THE ARMY WILL ALSO GO ON ALERT STATE US.

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5.  COMMENT: THE ACCURACY OF  INFORMATION ON
THE ALLEGED TERRORIST PLAN OF THE MIR CANNOT BE JUDGED AT THIS
TIME. HOWEVER, EVEN IF THE INFORMATION ACCURATELY PORTRAYED
MIR INTENTIONS, THE FACT THAT THE GOVERNMENT IS AWARE OF THE
PLANS, AND WILL UNDOUBTEDLY UNDERTAKE SOME INVESTIGATION, WILL
PROBABLY ACT AS A DETERRENT TO ANY EFFORTS TO CARRY OUT THE PLANS.
NONETHELESS, GIVEN THE CURRENT UNSETTLED POLITICAL SITUATION IN
CHILE, SUCH AN ACT BY THE MIR OR OTHER EXTREMISTS CAN NOT BE
DISCOUNTED COMPLETELY.)

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